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Takeshi FUKUDA et al.

Application No.: 09/834,651

Filed: April 16, 2001

For: FLAKE-LIKE α-ALUMINA

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EXAMINER'S COMMUNICATION

On January 20, 2004, Applicants filed a timely and complete response to the non-final Office Action dated October 20, 2003. After its filing, however, Applicants discovered an error on page five of the Response. In a telephone conversation on April 15, 2004, Examiner Wells and Robert Stanley agreed that the Reply could be substituted with a substitute version correcting the error. The discussed replacement is enclosed with this Communication. Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper and charge any additional required fees to deposit account 06-0916,

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SUBSTITUTE REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.